

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Arnold Turk (Reg # 33,094) on 02/19/2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 20, replace "butadiene Rubber" with –butadiene rubber--.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the closest prior art of record, Nishi et al. (JP 2002-338931 A, see machine translation for citation) or Hamaoka (JP 62036431 A, see translation for citation) does not teach or suggest converting in a melt polytetrafluoroethylene powder and at least one olefinically unsaturated polymer. Applicants have provided evidence of the abbreviations of the polymers of claim 20, therefore the previous 112, first paragraph, rejection is withdrawn (See Applicants' response filed 02/16/2010 on page 8). The previous claim objections of claims 1-20 is withdrawn in light of Applicants' amendment. The previous double patenting rejections are withdrawn in light of the cancellation of claims 1-9.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Information Disclosure Statement

The following documents, DE 146716 and the non-patent document of Lee, D.-W., cited in the information disclosure state filed on 02/16/2010 have been already submitted and considered as part of the information disclosure statement filed on 01/25/2007.

The following documents, DE 146716 and the non-patent document of Lee, D.-W., cited in the information disclosure state filed on 07/17/2009 have been already submitted and considered as part of the information disclosure statement filed on 01/25/2007. Furthermore, the non-patent document by Shierholz was listed on the PTO-892 mailed on 11/16/2009.

Correspondence

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